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James Mayes, was attending to business in St. Louis, Monday.

We invite you to trade with us. JNO. J. ROGERS.

Read the public sale advertisement of the property of C. C. Lewis.

Don't fail to read the Parody of Kiplings poem in another column.

Wanted, 50 wood choppers at my place south of the city. J. L. Hayden.

Mrs. Laban Lake is spending the week with her son Edward, at Ely.

G. W. Williamson and family spent Sunday with the homefolk near Hannuwell.

J. M. Johnson, Jr. and wife spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. T. Vaughn, at Shelbina.

Rev. Wiley J. Patrick of Bowling Green, Mo. was in the city with friends Friday afternoon.

Rev. T. P. Middleton and wife of Clarksville have been the guest of her parents, Jacob Rouse and wife during the week.

Jasper Henderson had his poultry house re-shingled last week. It took 70,000 shingles to cover it.

Capt. J. W. Kuesley, Representative of Boone County and the oldest member of the House, died Wednesday night.

Last Saturday, the National Congress of Mothers, in session in Washington, D. C. refused to endorse the late war with Spain.

If you expect accommodations this year, you must "Ante up" for last years favors.

Respectfully,
B. O. Wood.

A. H. Green and Lester Hatch paid this office a pleasant call Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Green's call especially, was a substantial one.

The Jesse James case is on in Kansas City. His uncle Frank is present and an interested spectator. Jesse says he is innocent of train robbery and it will be proven in the trial.

Your 1898 account is past due. Let it be small or large, I need it to pay my bills. Please give attention.

B. O. Wood.

E. T. Whetmore, Frank Woodson, W. G. Smizer, James Megee and Phil Olmstad, of Paris came down Tuesday to attend the funeral of T. J. Griffith.

John Demaree, ex-private of Co. F 4th Mo. Vol., has not fooled away any time. He returned home Wednesday night and went to work at his old trade, (harness maker) Friday morning.

Miss Lizzie Rubison, left for St. Louis, Sunday night. She will spend three weeks at the Future Great learning how to build fancy top pieces for the ladies to wear Easter Sunday.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with Miller's Glovine, for sale only by J. J. Rogers, sole agent for the famous Voltaire and Virginia Kid gloves; all the desirable shades.

For Sale.

25 squares Tin Roofing at a bargain. Apply to
L. C. SAUNDERS.

It's a little too cold to-day, but as soon as it warms up a little drop in and see what your account is with me.

B. O. Wood.

Havana has been thoroughly cleaned by the American broom and the filth dumped into the ocean. Now there will be a good chance to fight Yellow Jack effectively.

Uncle Jack Richardson wishes to express his gratitude through the DEMOCRAT to the people who were kind and attentive to him during his illness, especially to Dr. W. B. A. McNutt.

Mrs. Joe White Marion County died of that dread disease, consumption, at 1:15 a. m. Saturday. Funeral services were held at the Catholic Church by Fr. Sullivan at 3:00 p. m. Sunday and the remains interred in the Holy Rosary cemetery.

The Dade was one hour and fifty-five minutes late Tuesday afternoon. It was caused by the piston-packing giving out so the engine had to be disconnected on the right side, then they were troubled with the excentrics stopping on the center. The accident occurred four miles east of the city.

After The Fire.

The fire Monday night destroyed our stock, but our books were saved and will be found at Boulware & Sullivan's Tailor shop. Allowing us either account or note will please call there and settle at once. We need our money and trust you will be prompt in settling.

Yours truly,

A. BOULWARE.

"The expenditures of Monroe County published in the Mercury on an other page, demonstrates again that Monroe County has the most economical administration of its affairs of any county in the state." Good, but it fails show that the county one of the richest in every respect has more miles of bad roads than any county of the same calibre in the state. It also fails to show why that very same court paid \$255 for \$47.50 worth of work.

The P. E. O's entertained a few of their friends at the pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. S. Hickman on Main St., in honor of Mrs. Fred Bash, who expects to leave for her future home in Texas in a few days. The guests, soon after arriving were furnished with paper and pencil with which to write an Essay on "Spring" in monosyllables, the time being limited to fifteen minutes. Dr. A. W. Ely seemed to lapse back to the time when he was but a callow youth, writing compositions on that favorite subject and succeeded in capturing the prize, a volume of Longfellow's poems. Hon. J. C. Piersol was awarded a primer with which to continue his studies. Delightful refreshments were served during the evening and other amusements engaged in, when, at a later hour than usual found the P. E. O's and their brothers-in-law loth to leave the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Hickman.

AS OTHERS

SEE HIM.

Last week we reproduced from the Monroe City DEMOCRAT an article criticising the official conduct of Representative Whitecotton. This week we give the views of the Paris Mercury. It must be evident to Mr. Whitecotton's friends that politics is not his forte. He is a fine orator and a lawyer of ability. But he lacks that self-control and finesse so essential to success in politics. Without probably intending it he has greatly weakened his party by his course in the legislature and we sincerely trust at the conclusion of his present term he will eschew politics and devote himself to the law.—Marion County Herald.

The Paris Appeal forgot some thing last week. It did not have even a two line editorial eulogizing Monroe County's Representative.

Col. Joe Barnett of the Ralls County Record has discovered what he thinks an inconsistency in the Mercury's logic. Congressman Dockery belongs to the minority party in the House, and it is good politics for him to join rebellious Republicans on non party questions, if by so doing he can harass the majority. It is for just this reason Republicans in the Missouri House are combining with discontented Democrats. The positions occupied by Mr. Dockery and Mr. Whitecotton are exactly reversed. Dockery harasses, Whitecotton comforts. It is not so complex but you might grasp it, Joe. Try.—Mercury.

The tax-payers do not care about the personal warfare in the Missouri Legislature, only to condemn it. What the people want is the work done that the Legislature was elected to do, and if the legislature fails to its duty the people will tau its hide at the next election. That's all.—Ralls County Record.

The Mexico Ledger is unable to understand the rumors that come from Jefferson City that a number of Democrats of the Legislature are training with the Republicans in order to defeat any legislation that our Democratic Governor may favor. Because one Democrat does not like another Democrat is surely no reason for opposing wholesome legislation. It does appear as though the Democratic members of the Missouri Legislature might bury any personal feeling toward each other or toward the Governor and transact the business of the session in a business-like way and along Democratic lines. This is what the Democracy expects and has a right to expect from its representatives. The rank and file of the Democratic party will hold their representatives to strict account.—Mexico Ledger.

State legislatures is no place to settle personal matters. Men are sent there to look after the interests of the people and not to quarrel like school boys and vent their spite on one another

at the expense of the people.—Leader Record.

A Legislator is elected by the people to look after the interests of the people and not to make a fight, simply because he did not secure some plum he may have desired.—Leader-Record.

Dockery Guards.

A true and tried public servant like Congressman Dockery of this State deserves the reward of public recognition. If any excuse is needed for our frequent references to him and his work, this is sufficient. Dockery is the faithful guard of the treasury. He is sleepless and tireless in his efforts to protect the rights of the people. No item of public expense escapes his attention or earnest opposition. His hatred of wrong is based upon principle and he never rises to discuss an issue without stating a principal.—Valley Democrat.

Man—Mule.

A pitable sight was witnessed on the Sees Creek hill, about five miles northeast of the city last Thursday afternoon. The man (a mover) was traveling east and after leaving this city one of his little mules fell dead. Instead of being disheartened when he came to the long hill, he hitched himself by the side of the remaining mule and assisted it in pulling the wagon to the top of the hill. It was an other distressing case of "I'm going back to my wife's folks," and he had the grit to persevere in the effort.

Lasley-Anderson.

One of the nicest, quiet home weddings of the season was that of yesterday at the home of the brides parents, J. B. Anderson and wife, at the Cor. of Court and Vine St. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The contracting parties being Miss Etta Anderson and C. M. Lasley, a traveling salesman for the American Tobacco Co. Dr. W. A. Hatch officiated on the happy occasion. The bridal couple left for different points in the south on the 2:51 p. m. train.

A Long Walk.

James and Frank Hudson, brothers, aged 12 and 14, were given lodging at the police station last night. The lads left Monroe City about 9 o'clock yesterday morning and walked to Hannibal, a distance of thirty miles. They are en route to Saverton where, they claim to have a sister with whom they intend to make their home.

A Rare Coin.

J. Frank Smith showed us a silver dollar of 1799 coinage. The face of the coin bore the face of the Goddess of Liberty and inscription Liberty 1799. On the reverse side was the American Spread Eagle and United States of American. The edge, instead of being milled was indented with this inscription. "One dollar or unit. Hundred cents. Also the 13 stars representing the Thirteen States."

For Rent.

The Frank Smith farm of 100 acres, 5 miles north of the city apply to Frank Smith.

WAR - NEWS.

Madrid Feb. 16—All of the serving captains of the Spanish war ships, destroyed off Santiago, Cuba, and in Manila Bay by the American fleets, will be court martialed.

Manila Feb. 20.—The California Volunteers abandoned the Gaudalope Church at 5 o'clock Sunday morning, which has since been set on fire, and retired to San Pedro Macati. The rebels still hold the country in the vicinity of Gaudalope. Pasig and Patero despite the efforts of the Gunboats to dislodge them from the jungle on both sides of the river. The heat is intense and increasing perceptibly daily.

Manila, Feb. 21—Skirmishing along the lines continues every day. The Insurgents give way after each brush with our troops. The hot sun is doing more damage to the army than the Philipinos are.

Died.

T. J. Griffith died of pneumonia at 11 a. m. Monday. He was a Knight Templar and an A. O. U. W. Funeral services were held at the Christian church Tuesday, at 3 p. m., Rev. C. H. Strawn, of Paris, officiating. He was buried with Masonic rights. Mr. Griffith was born March 10th, 1842, in Marion County Mo., where he spent his life until March 7th, 1891, when he moved to this city. He left a wife and two sons, Frank and Nick.

Economy vs County Court.

Last week the Paris papers published the annual report of expenditures of the county and wound up with complimenting the "Economical County Court." The statement is misleading, now for the proof. First: The Monroe County Court cut the road levy half into, leaving scarcely anything for an overseer to work with, only enough to patch with. Then on the account of insufficiency of funds to work with at an advantage the Court pays the overseer one dollar and forty cents to place one dollars worth of work on the road. That is it costs dollar for dollar 40 per cent more to patch a road than the patch comes to. If the members of the county court will transact their private affairs the same way it would take just 2 1/2 two-years-and-a-half for their entire capital to be swamped by that 40 per cent. excess expense account. You ask them why don't the funds (capital) give out? Because you are assessed for an entire new capital each year for the court to fritter away. An expense statement is a nice thing to hide some things. For instance, that statement does not show a small item of \$255 which was allowed by that very same (economical) County Court when it could have had it done for \$47.50. Some County Statemen's are like some Bank Balance Sheets, they look best just before they go into the hands of a receiver. Then there was a second \$255 "blowed in" that we will ask the court about in the near future.